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RETURN RECEIPT REQUIRED

Fruehauf Corporation  
Harrisburg Plant  
P.O. Box 110  
Middletown, PA 17057  
ATTN: John W. Drayer

RE: Middletown Airfield  
Middletown, PA  
(Harrisburg International Airport)

Dear Mr. Drayer:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is seeking additional information concerning the release, or the threat of a release, of hazardous substances into the environment at the above referenced facility. Pursuant to the authority of Section 3007(a) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. Section 6927(a), and Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e), Fruehauf Corporation (hereinafter "you" or "your company") is requested to furnish all information and documents in its possession, custody or control, or in the possession, custody or control of any of its employees or agents which concern, refer or relate to hazardous substances as defined by Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601(14). EPA is particularly interested in hazardous substances which were transported to, stored, treated or disposed of at the Middletown Airfield, located between the Cities of Highspire and Middletown in Lower Swatara borough, Dauphin County, PA. A letter was issued to Fruehauf Corporation on January 23, 1989, regarding the above referenced Site, however, EPA has reviewed your response and has determined that your original response is incomplete and requires additional clarification.

Failure to respond truthfully and completely to each inquiry within ten(10) business days of your receipt of this letter, or to adequately justify your failure to respond, may result in an enforcement action by EPA pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9604 or Section 3008 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. Section 6928. These statutes permit EPA to seek the imposition of civil penalties of up to \$25,000 for each day of continued non-compliance. Be further advised that the provision of false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject

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you to criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and that the information provided may be used by EPA in administrative, civil or criminal proceedings.

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Your company is requested to address, in full, for the years since your company moved to the Site to present, each of the following items:

1. State the dates during which your company owned, operated, or leased any portion of the Site, and provide copies of all documents evidencing or relating to such ownership, operation or lease, including but not limited to purchase and sale agreements, deeds, leases, assignments of leases inventories, and surveys.

2. Describe the nature of your company's operations at the Site. Identify all hazardous substances used during your operations as well as all by-products and wastes generated from your operations.

3. Did you ever transport to the Site or use, purchase, generate, store, treat, dispose, or otherwise handle at the Site any hazardous substances? If the answer to this question is anything but an unqualified "no," identify:

a. In general terms, the nature and quantity of the hazardous substances and by-products so transported, used, purchased, generated stored, treated disposed, or otherwise handled.

b. The chemical composition, characteristics, physical state (solid, liquid or gas) of each hazardous substance so transported, used, purchased, generated, stored, treated, disposed, or otherwise handled.

c. How each hazardous substance and waste was stored and disposed. Include the name of the facility, where the hazardous materials were disposed, as well as the name of the transporter.

4. Did Fruehauf Corporation ever spill any chemicals and/or hazardous waste at the Site? Specify the chemicals and/or hazardous waste involved and the quantity involved. Also provide all associated and related documentation.

5. Prior to purchasing the property at the Middletown Airfield (Harrisburg International Airport) did you or any of your company's employees or agents view the property? If the answer to this question is anything but an unqualified "no," further specify:

a. The steps your company took to ascertain the previous operations at the Site. Identify all persons who have knowledge thereof.

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b. Did you or your company or its employees or agents have any knowledge of prior operations at the Site, if so specify.

c. The name of the real estate firm that handled the real estate transaction for your company regarding the purchase of the Site property.

d. Did your company conduct an environmental assessment, survey, or investigation regarding the Site property prior to purchase?

As used herein the term "documents" means writings (handwritten, typed or otherwise produced or reproduced), and includes but is not limited to, any invoices, checks, receipts, bills of lading, weight receipts, toll receipts, correspondence, offers, contracts, agreements, deeds, leases, manifests, licenses, permits, bids, proposals, policies of insurance, logs, books of original entry, minutes of meetings, memoranda, notes, calendar or diary entries, agendas, bulletins, notices, announcements, charts, maps, photographs, drawings, manuals, brochures, reports of scientific study or investigation, schedules, price lists, telegrams, teletypes, phono-records, magnetic voices or video records, tapes, summaries, magnetic tapes, punch cards, recordings, discs, computer printouts, or other data compilations from which information can be obtained or translated.

You are entitled to assert a claim of business confidentiality covering all or any part of the submitted information, in the manner described in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. Unless a business confidentiality claim is asserted at the time the requested information is submitted, EPA may make this information available to the public without further notice to you.

Please send the required information to:

Joan Armstrong  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
PRP Search Section (3HW11)  
841 Chestnut Building  
Philadelphia, PA 19107

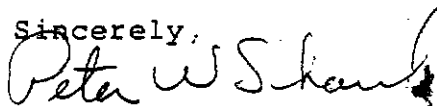
If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact Mrs. Armstrong at (215) 597-0531. Legal questions can be referred to Mr. Charles Hayden at (215) 597-3211.

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Sincerely,



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Superfund Programs Branch  
Hazardous Waste Management Division

cc: C. Hayden ØRC  
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